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**Amendments to the Drawings:**

None

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### REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The Office Action of 19 October 2005 required Election/Restrictions among Group I (Claims 1-31), Group II (Claim 32) and Group III (Claim 33) because the inventions are alleged to be independent and distinct. Applicants respectfully elect with traverse.

**Election:** Applicants elect Group I (Claims 1-31) with traverse.

**Traverse:** Applicant contend that Group I, Group II and Group III operate on the same principles and are therefore not distinct.

Applicant respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case. The Director is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees or underpayments under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 & § 1.17; and credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 19-2201 held in the name of U.S. Army Materiel Command.

#### Certificate of Filing by FAX

The undersigned hereby certifies that this Election/Restriction is being sent by facsimile (FAX) to 571-273-8300 as of Wednesday, November 09, 2005.

Respectfully submitted,  
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